

**METHODS, SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR  
BANDWIDTH ALLOCATION IN A MULTIPLE ACCESS SYSTEM**

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**Abstract of Disclosure**

Embodiments of the present invention provide methods systems and computer  
program products for allocating excess and deficit bandwidth among a plurality of  
queues in a multiple access system. Each of the plurality of queues is associated with  
a quality of service and has a corresponding quantum value. An available quantum  
value based on a total amount of committed bandwidth on a downstream channel and  
a total amount of bandwidth on the downstream channel. The quantum values of each  
of the plurality of queues are updated by an update quantum value corresponding to  
respective ones of the plurality of queues. The update quantum values are based on  
the available quantum value, a total reserved quantum value corresponding to packets  
enqueued in the plurality of queues for an update period and the quality of service  
associated with the respective queue.